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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Murphy et al.

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Art Unit : 1633

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Examiner : S Kaushal

For: BIOENGINEERED TISSUE CONSTRUCTS AND

METHODS FOR PRODUCING AND USING THEREOF

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PETITION FOR A FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Director for Patents to extend by four (4) months the time for filing a response to the Final Office Action mailed March 28, 2006. A Notice of Appeal in the instant application was received on June 7, 2006, thus Applicants hereby petition the Director for Patents to extend the time to respond from August 7, 2006 to and including December 7, 2006. Please charge \$795.00 to deposit account 50-0540 to cover the petition fee under 37 § 1.17(a)(4).

No extra fee is believed due. However, if any additional fees are necessary, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Dated: December 6, 2006 Respectfully submitted,

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